

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BUTTE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CR 11-1-BU-DWM-2
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	ORDER
)	
HEATHER MARIE HELM,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on July 21, 2011. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to de novo review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); United States v. Reyna-Tapia, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error. McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a “definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed.” United States v. Syrax, 235 F.3d

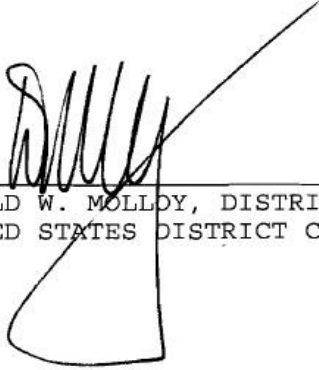
422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept Heather Marie Helm's guilty plea after Helm appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered her plea of guilty to the charge of conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 846 (Count I), as set forth in the Indictment. In exchange for Defendant's plea, the United States has agreed to dismiss Counts IV, V, and IX of the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (dkt # 54), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the plea until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Heather Marie Helm's motion to change plea (dkt # 38) is GRANTED.

DATED this 30th day of August, 2011.



DONALD W. MOLLOY, DISTRICT JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT